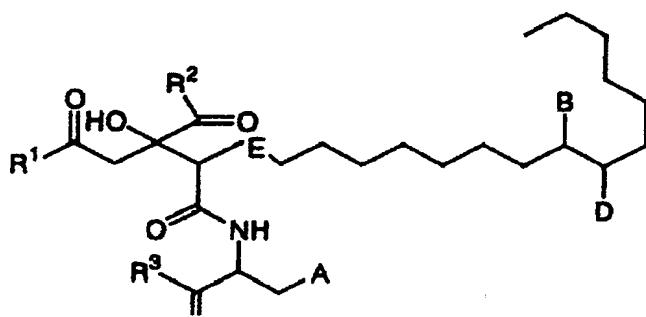


**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. **(Original)** A pharmaceutical composition for preventing or treating viral infectious diseases comprising a compound represented by the following general formula (I):



(wherein

A represents a phenyl group substituted with -OX, or a 3-indolyl group;

X represents a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms;

B represents a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, an oxo group, -N(R<sup>4</sup>)(R<sup>5</sup>), =N-OH, =N-OR<sup>6</sup> or a halogen atom;

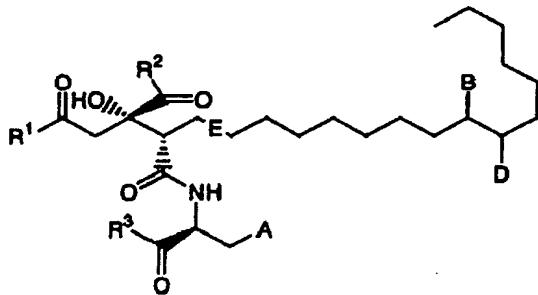
R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may be the same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> together represent a 3 to 8 membered ring;

R<sup>6</sup> represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms (which may be substituted with an amino group which may be mono- or di-substituted with a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms);

D represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group; bond E represents a single bond or double bond; R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> may be the same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, an amino group (which may be mono- or di-substituted with a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms), -OZ, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms; and,

Z represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms) a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 comprising the compound of formula (I) according to claim 1 represented by the following general formula (I'), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:



(wherein A, B, D, bond E, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are the same as defined in claim 1).

3. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 or 2 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein A represents a phenyl group substituted with -OX at position 4, X represents a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms.

4. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein B represents an oxo group, a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group or =N-OR<sup>6</sup>.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> may be the same or different and each represent a hydroxyl group, an amino group, or -OZ (wherein Z represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms).

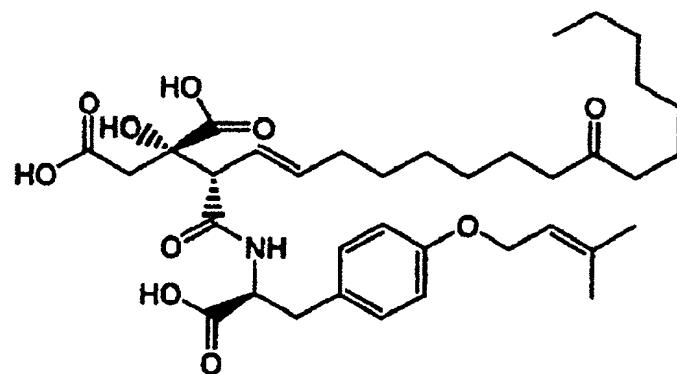
6. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 or 2 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein A represents a phenyl group substituted with -OX at position 4, X represents a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, B represents an oxo group, a hydroxyl group or =N-OR<sup>6</sup>, and R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> may be the same or different and each represent a hydroxyl group or -OZ (wherein Z represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms).

7. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 6 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein X represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, B represents an oxo group or a hydroxyl group, and R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> each represent a hydroxyl group.

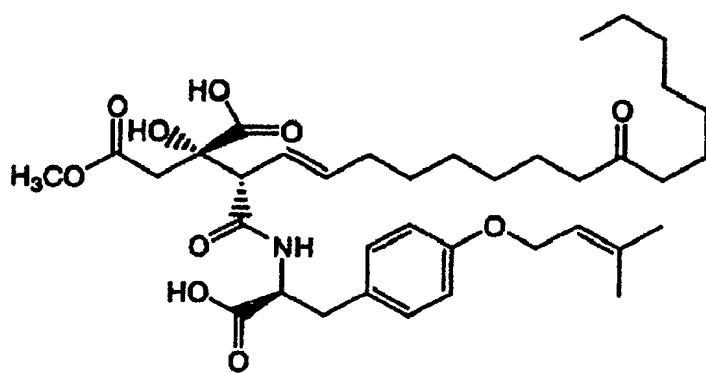
8. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 or 2 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein A represents a 3-indolyl group.

9. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 8 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein B represents an oxo group or a hydroxyl group, and R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> each represent a hydroxyl group.

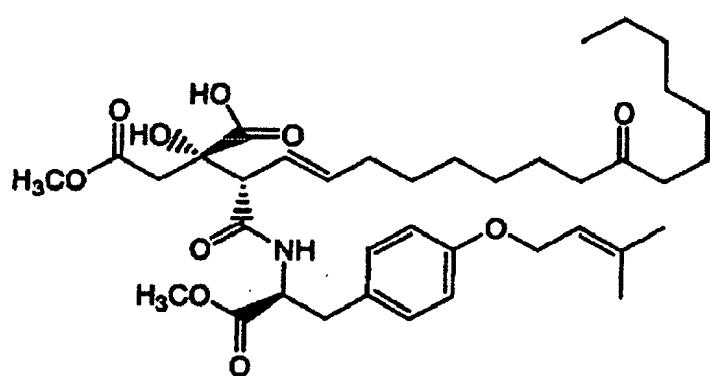
10. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 or 2 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, selected from the compounds indicated below.



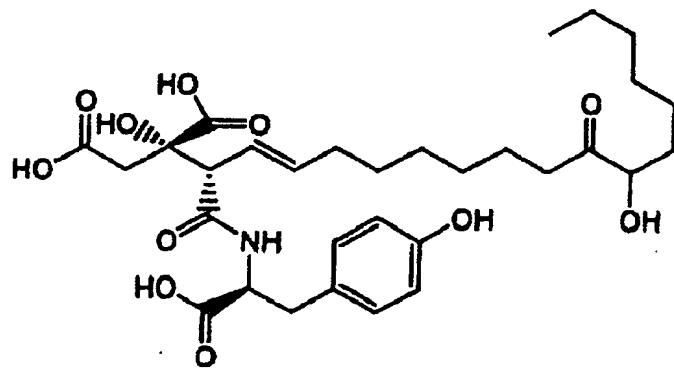
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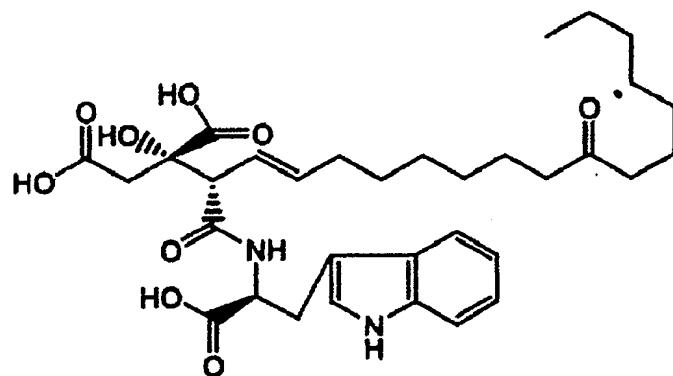
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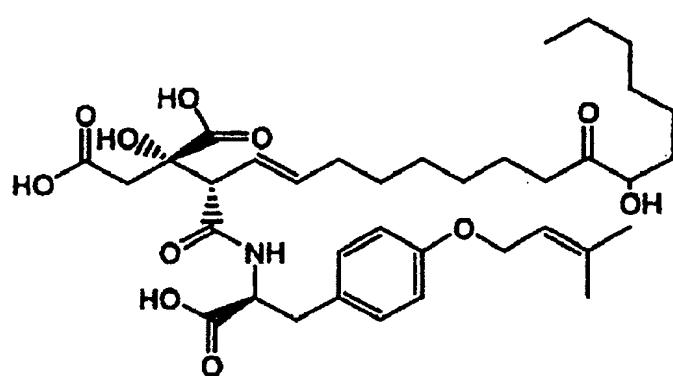
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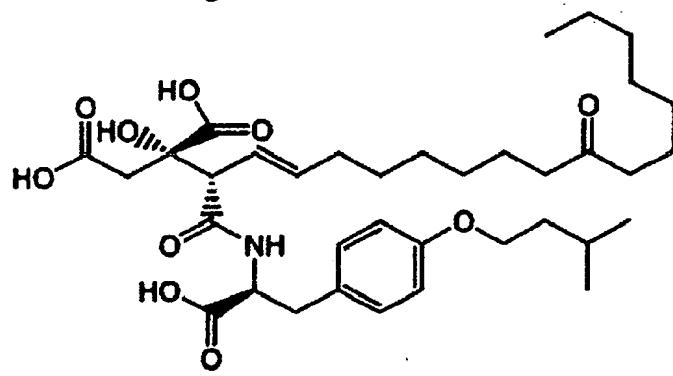
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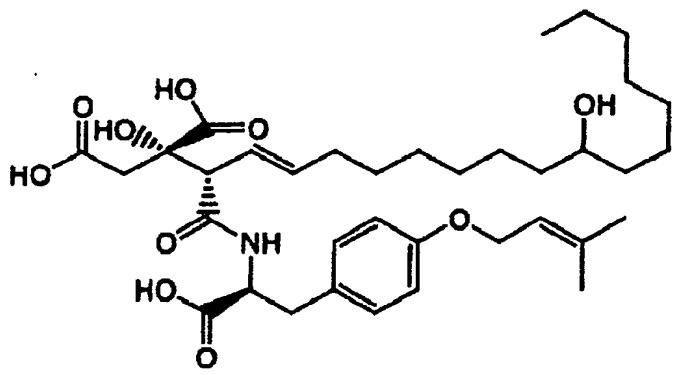
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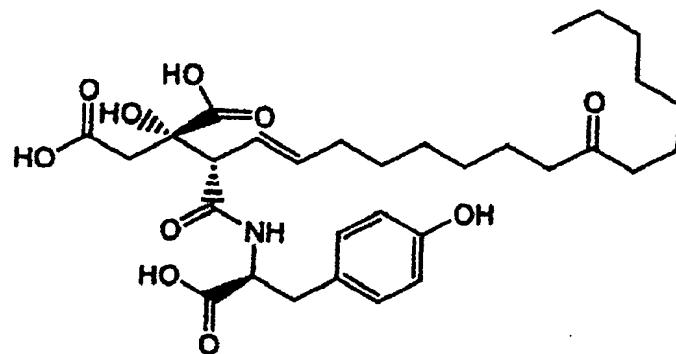
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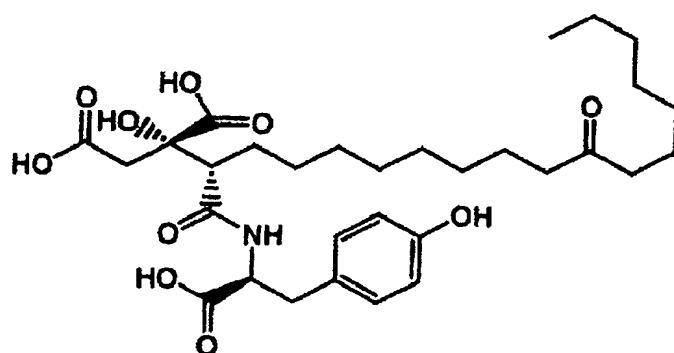
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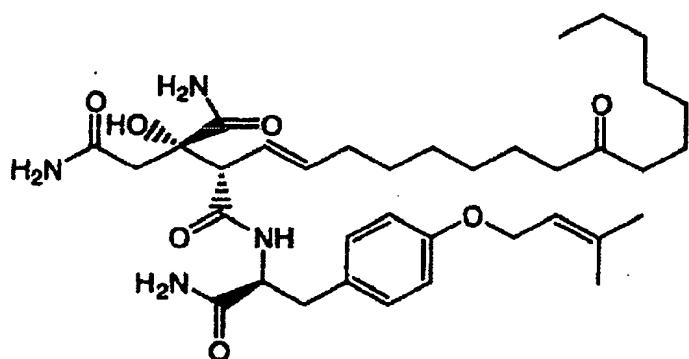
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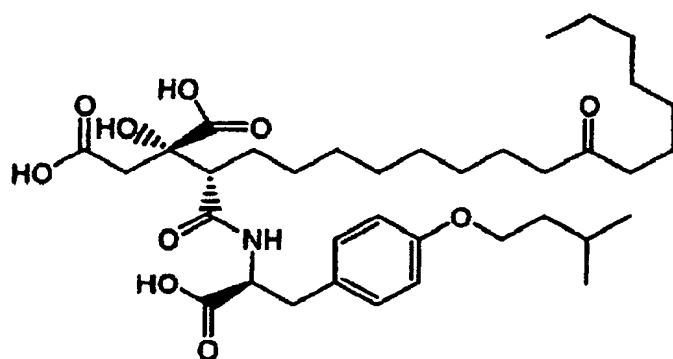
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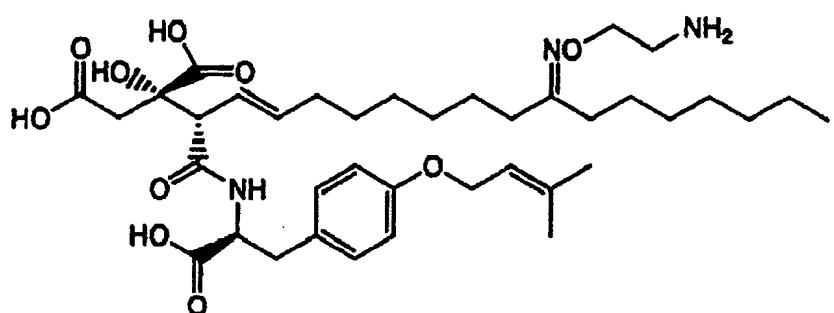
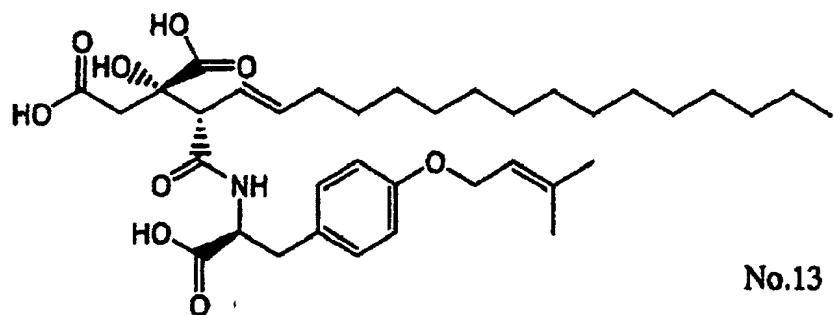
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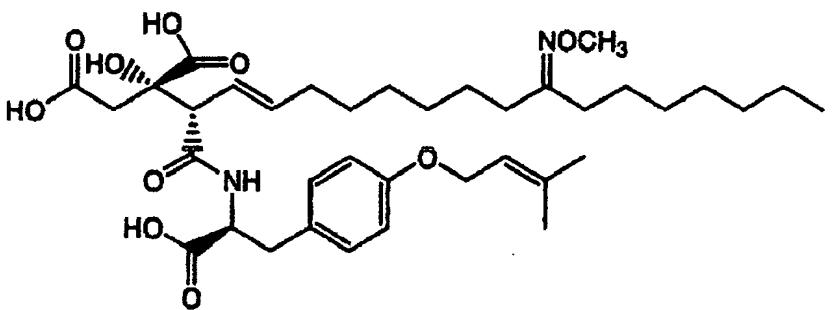
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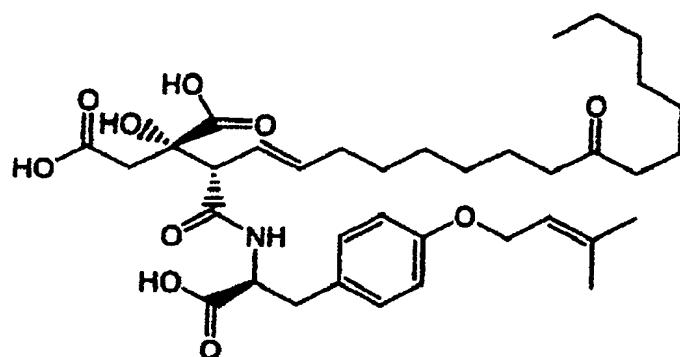
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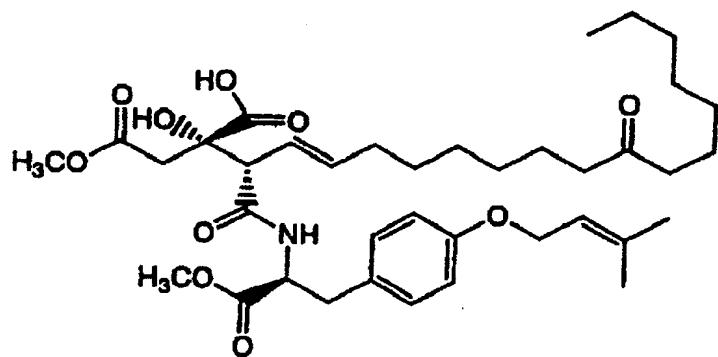
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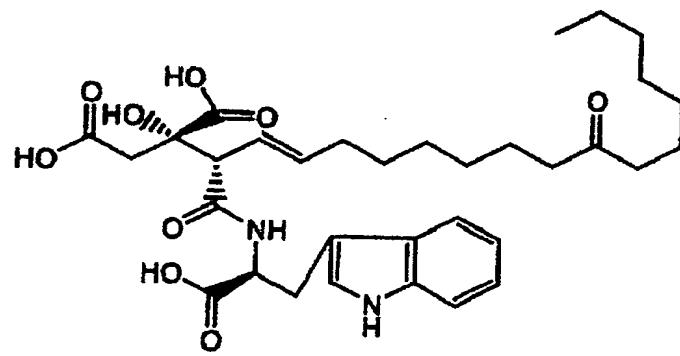
11. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 or 2 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, selected from the compounds indicated below.



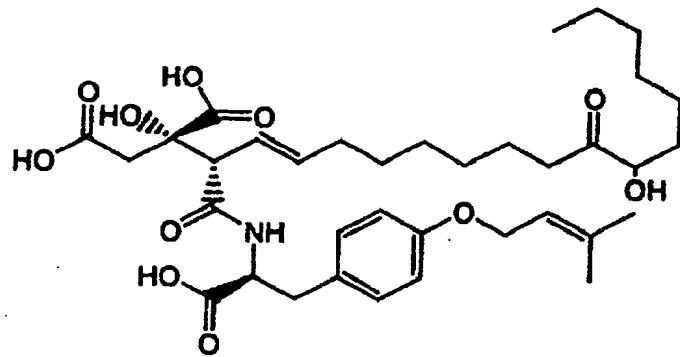
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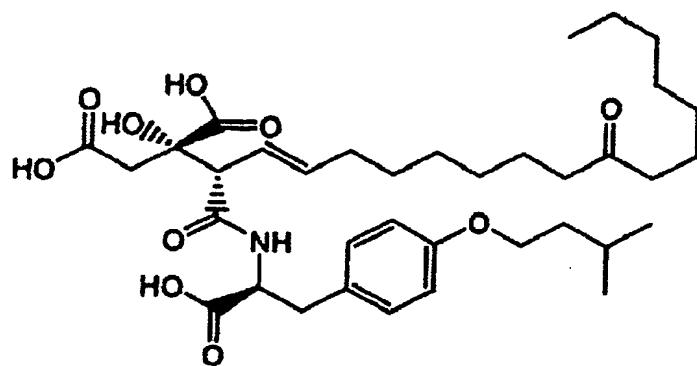
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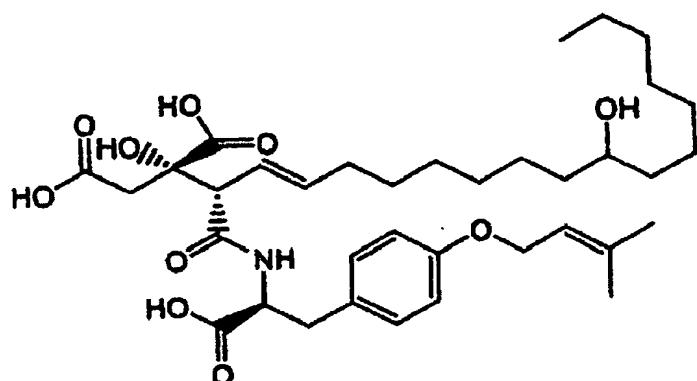
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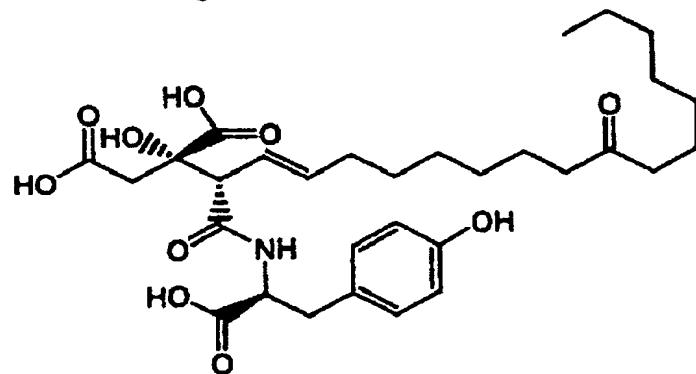
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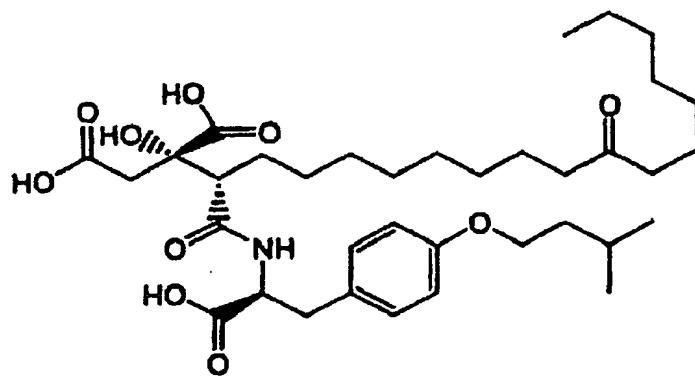
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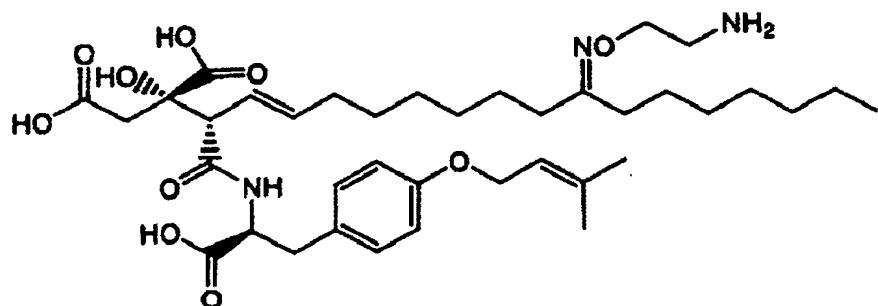
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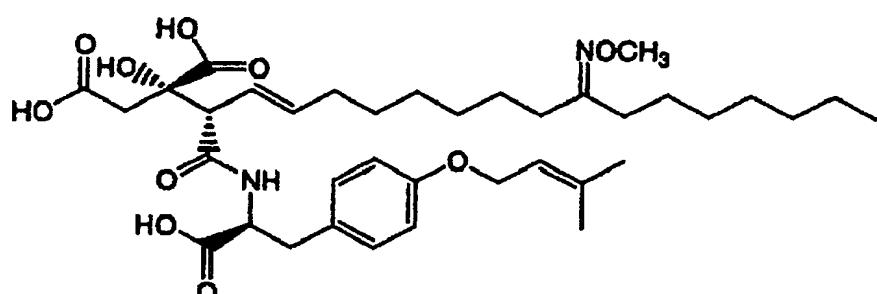


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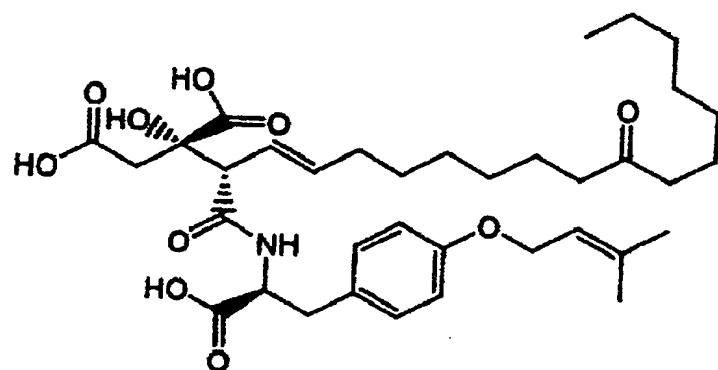
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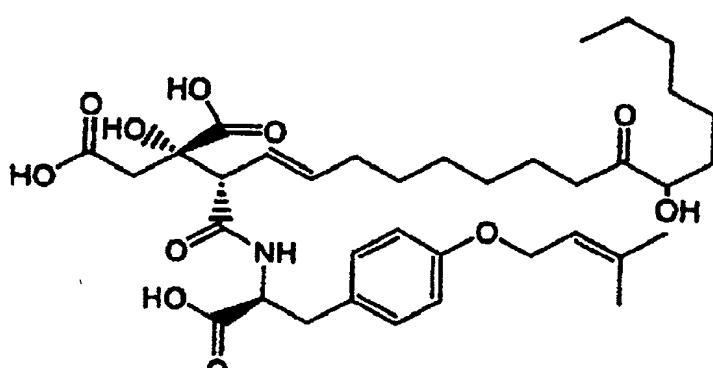


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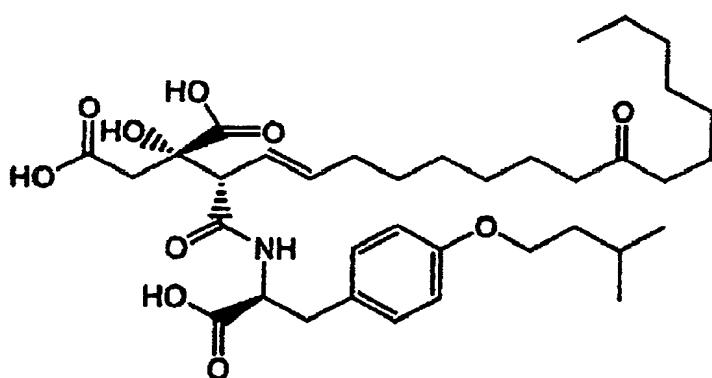
12. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 or 2 comprising a compound of formula (I), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, selected from the compounds indicated below.



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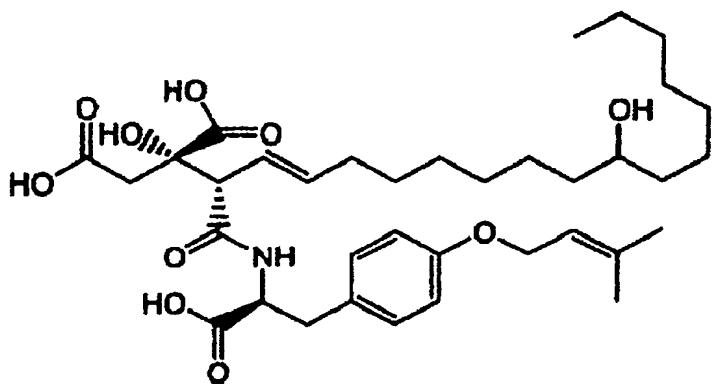


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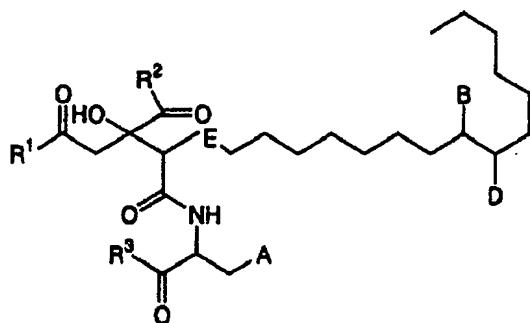


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13. **(Currently Amended)** The pharmaceutical composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 12~~ claim 1, wherein the viral infectious disease is HCV infection.

14. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 13, wherein the HCV infection is hepatitis C.

15. **(Original)** A compound represented by the following general formula (I):



(wherein

A represents a phenyl group substituted with -OX;

X represents a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms;

B represents a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, an oxo group, -N(R<sup>4</sup>)(R<sup>5</sup>), =N-OH, =N-OR<sup>6</sup> or a halogen atom;

R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may be the same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> together represent a 3 to 8 membered ring;

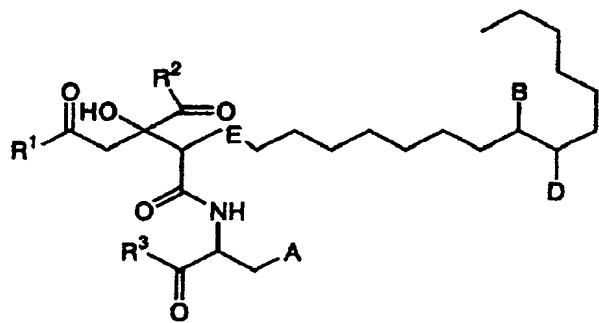
R<sup>6</sup> represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms (which may be substituted with an amino group which may be mono- or di-substituted with a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms);

D represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group; bond E represents a single bond or double bond;

$R^1$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  may be the same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, an amino group (which may be mono- or di-substituted with a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms), -OZ, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms; and,

$Z$  represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, with the proviso that the case in which  $A$  is a phenyl group substituted with -OX at the p position,  $X$  is a 2-isopentenyl group or a hydrogen atom,  $B$  is an oxo group,  $D$  is a hydrogen atom,  $E$  represents a double bond, and all of  $R^1$  to  $R^3$  are a hydroxyl group, and the case in which  $A$  is a phenyl group substituted with -OX at position p,  $X$  is a 2-isopentenyl group,  $B$  is an oxo group,  $D$  is a hydrogen atom, bond  $E$  represents a double bond, and all of  $R^1$  to  $R^3$  are a methoxy group are excluded) a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

16. (Original) A compound represented by the following general formula (I):



(wherein

$A$  represents a phenyl group substituted with -OX;

$X$  represents a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms;

$B$  represents a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, an oxo group,  $-N(R^4)(R^5)$ ,  $=N-OH$ ,  $=N-OR^6$  or a halogen atom;

$R^4$  and  $R^5$  may be the same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, or  $R^4$  and  $R^5$  together represent a 3 to 8 membered ring;

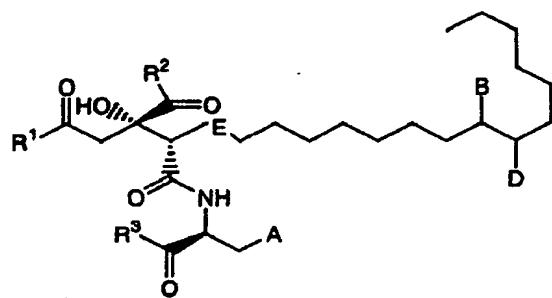
$R^6$  represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms (which may be substituted with an amino group which may be mono- or di-substituted with a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms);

D represents a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group; bond E represents a single bond or double bond;

$R^1$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  may be the same or different, and each represent a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, an amino group (which may be mono- or di-substituted with a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms), -OZ, a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms; and,

Z represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, with the proviso that the case in which A is a phenyl group substituted with -OX at position p and X is a hydrogen atom, and the case in which A is a phenyl group substituted with -OX at position p, X is a 2-isopentenyl group, B is an oxo group, D is a hydrogen atom, bond E indicates a double bond, and all of  $R^1$  to  $R^3$  are a hydroxyl group or a methoxy group are excluded)  
a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

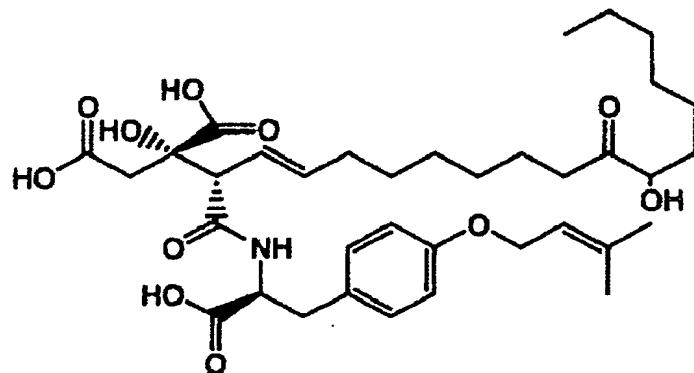
17. **(Currently Amended)** The compound of formula (I) according to claim 15 or 16 represented by the following general formula (I'), a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:



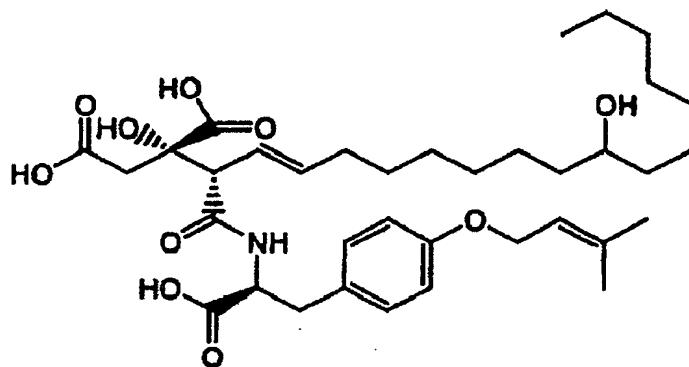
(wherein  $\mathbf{X}$   $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$ , bond  $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{R}^1$ ,  $\mathbf{R}^2$  and  $\mathbf{R}^3$  are the same as described in claim 15).

18. **(Currently Amended)** The compound of formula (I) according to ~~claims 15 to 17~~ claim 15, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein  $\mathbf{X}$  represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkenyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkynyl group having 2 to 8 carbon atoms, and  $\mathbf{B}$  represents a hydroxyl group, an oxo group or  $=\mathbf{N}-\mathbf{OR}^6$ .

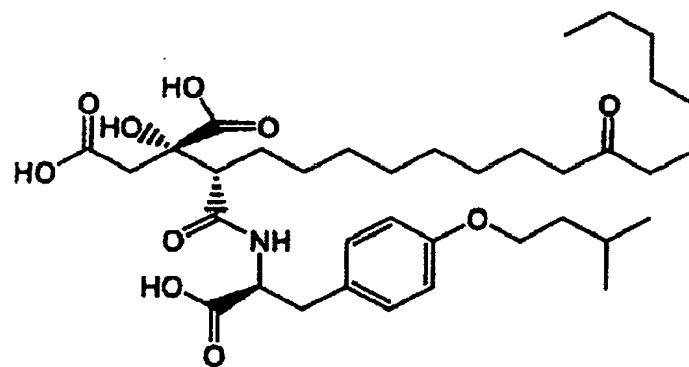
19. **(Currently Amended)** The compound of formula (I) according to ~~any one of claims 15 to 18~~ claim 15 represented by the following formula, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.



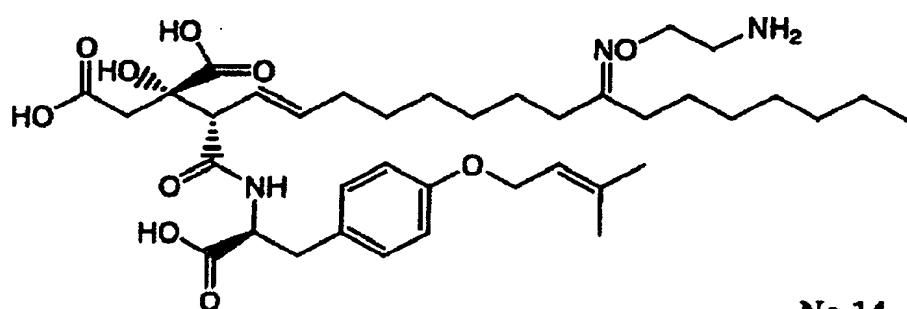
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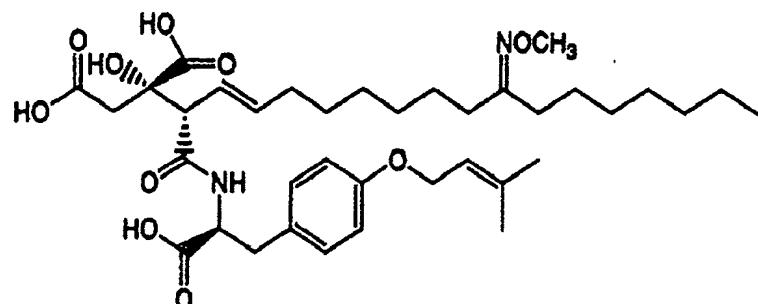


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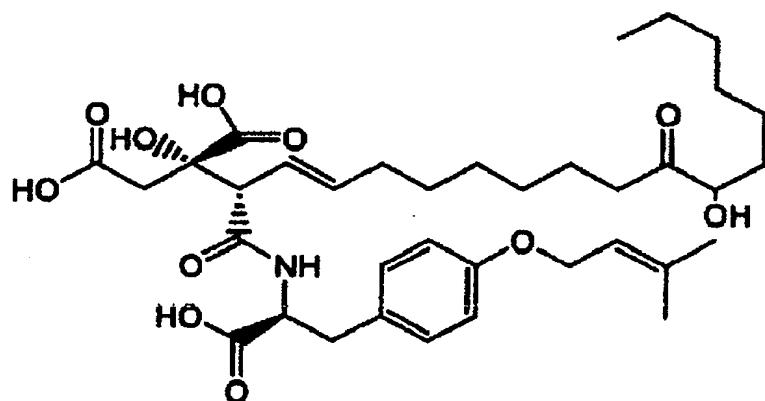
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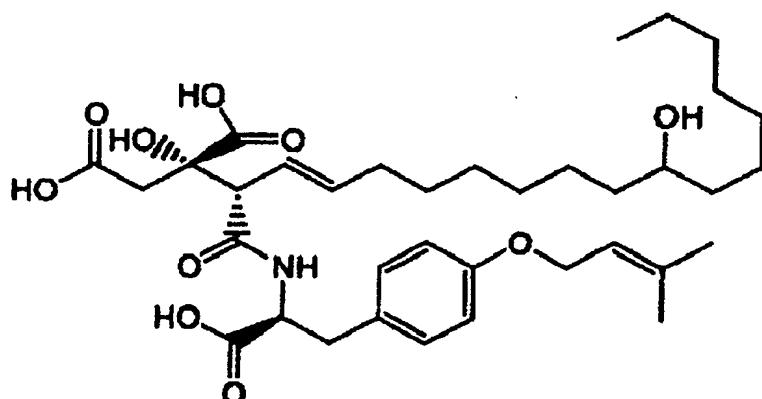
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20. **(Currently Amended)** The compound of formula (I) according to any one of claims 15 to 18 claim 15 represented by the following formula, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.



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21. **(Currently Amended)** A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (I) according to ~~any one of claims 15 to 20~~ claim 15, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

22. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 21 for preventing or treating of viral infectious diseases.

23. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 22, wherein the viral infectious disease is HCV infection.

24. **(Original)** The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 23, wherein the HCV infection is hepatitis C.